Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 24 Oct 2020 until 23:59 on Sunday 25 Oct 2020

Forecast Issued on Friday 23 Oct 2020 at 16:20 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled, rather cold and showery conditions over the next few days. Low confidence in timings of rain on Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 24 Oct 2020: Cold and very windy. Morning rain then showers in afternoon, wintry on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 24 Oct 2020

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** High Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Sleet	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
30%	60%	90%	90%	50%	40%	30%	30%

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Weather: Heavy rain, with summit sleet or wet snow in the morning and very windy with storm force winds on the tops at first. Brighter conditions arriving from the west in the afternoon with a few showers, these falling as snow above 800m. Small chance of hail and thunder in the west.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Very little chance in morning with extensive cloud down to 500 or 600m. Becoming 70% in afternoon with occasional cloud above 700m, patches down to lower slopes in showers. Best chance of clear summits across the Aberdeenshire hills.

Visibility: Poor at most elevations in the morning. Air clarity becoming good in the afternoon but with sudden deteriorations as showers pass over, mostly in the west with longer clear breaks over Aberdeenshire hills.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	37/45 S	51/64 S	59/74 S	47/59 S	33/42 SW	34/44 SW	38/49 S	42/54 S	42/55 S
900	25/34 S	38/50 S	42/56 S	33/48 S	28/40 SW	25/35 SW	27/38 S	30/42 S	30/43 S
600	14/27 S	28/47 S	24/45 S	30/45 S	20/38 SW	16/30 SW	18/33 S	20/38 S	20/37 S
300	9/21 S	9/18 SE	13/31 SE	25/36 S	9/21 SW	11/25 SW	9/23 SW	12/27 SW	8/22 SW
Glen	7/19 SW	6/18 S	15/32 S	25/40 S	9/19 SW	10/22 SW	9/22 SW	10/24 SW	8/18 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-1/-10	-1/-11	1/-9	2/-6	1/-7	0/-8	-0/-9	-1/-10	-1/-10
900	1/-6	1/-7	2/-6	4/-3	3/-4	2/-4	2/-5	1/-6	1/-7
600	3/-2	3/-3	4/-2	6/1	5/1	5/1	4/-1	3/-2	3/-3
300	5/2	5/2	6/3	8/4	8/5	8/5	6/3	5/2	5/2
Glen	5/3	6/4	7/4	9/5	8/6	9/6	6/4	6/3	6/3
Freezing Level*	1000m	1100m	1800m	1700m	1200m	1100m	1000m	1000m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Very wet and windy conditions at first with gusts of 80mph on the highest summits in the early hours. Cold, windy and showery conditions through the rest of the day with a severe wind chill on the tops.

Forecast for Sunday 25 Oct 2020

Weather: Bright or clear spells and showers, falling as snow on the Munro tops. Longer sunny spells across the Aberdeenshire and Angus hills. Strong, gusty winds with severe wind chill on the tops.

Maximum wind: Mainly South or Southwest 30-35mph, with squally gusts of 50mph at times.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%. Occasional cloud above 700 or 800m, with patches on lower slopes in the west.

Visibility: Occasionally poor on high slopes with low cloud and wintry showers. Excellent visibility for spells between showers, especially in the east.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4C rising to 9 or 10C.
At 800m: Plus 2C rising to 4C in afternoon.
Freezing level: 1000m rising to 1300m in afternoon.

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